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1. Whenever, prior to December 31, 1943, any property was sold for the nonpayment of any taxes and said sale has not been ratified and confirmed, any purchaser at any such prior tax sale is hereby empowered to proceed under the provisions of this subtitle to foreclose all rights of redemption in the property purchased. The collector, upon surrender to him of a receipt or of any other instrument evidencing payment of the necessary part of the purchase price, shall deliver to such purchaser a certificate signed by the collector containing all available information concerning the prior sale. Any certificate issued under this subtitle shall have the same force and effect as other certificates issued under the provisions of this subtitle and shall be subject to all of the provisions of this subtitle relating to such other certificates of sale. Any collector may issue the certificate provided for in this subtitle, notwithstanding the fact that any such prior tax sale was made by one of this predecessors in office. The provisions of this subtitle shall not affect the right of any purchaser at a tax sale held prior to December 31, 1943 to proceed under the provisions of laws existing prior to December 31, 1943. Any such purchaser may, at his option, proceed under the provisions of this subtitle or under the provisions of such prior existing laws.

2. Whenever, prior to December 31, 1943, any property was sold for the nonpayment of any taxes and said sale has been ratified and confirmed, whether or not a deed has been delivered to the purchaser, any purchaser at any such prior tax sale is hereby empowered to proceed under the provisions of this subtitle relating to the foreclosure of rights of redemption. The collector, upon surrender to him of a receipt or any other instrument evidencing payment of the purchase price, shall deliver to such purchaser a certificate signed by the collector containing all available information concerning the prior sale. Any certificate issued under this section shall have the same force and effect as other certificates issued under the provisions of this subtitle and shall be subject to all of the provisions of this subtitle relating to such other certificates of sale. Any collector may issue the certificate provided for in this section, notwithstanding the fact that any such prior tax sale was made by one of his predecessors in office.

3. When any tax sale made prior to January 1, 1944, has been finally ratified, then no court of equity or law in this State shall on and after June 1, 1966, entertain any proceedings to set aside or modify any title to any interest obtained in such sale.

SECTION 15. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section(s) 214(b) of Article 81 - Revenue and Taxes be repealed and reenacted, without amendments, and transferred from the Annotated Code of Maryland to the Session Laws to read as follows: